

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Administration of the North American)	
Numbering Plan and)	CC Docket 92-237
)	
North American Numbering Plan)	
Administration Contribution Factor and Fund)	
Size for July 2002 Through June 2003)	

ORDER

Adopted: June 26, 2002

Released: June 27, 2002

By the Assistant Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

I. INTRODUCTION

1. This Order approves the Fiscal Year 2002 North American Numbering Plan (NANP) Administration contribution factor submitted by the North American Numbering Plan Billing and Collection, Inc. (NBANC). Effective July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, the NANP Administration contribution factor will be 0.000043.¹

2. This Order also grants the NBANC Board of Directors' request to hold a minimum of two face-to-face meetings in Washington, D.C., and a minimum of two telephone conference call meetings each year in lieu of in person quarterly meetings.

II. BACKGROUND

3. On May 2, 2002, NBANC filed a fund size estimate and contribution factor for recovering the cost of North American Numbering Plan Administration for the 2002 fiscal year covering the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003, in accordance with section 52.16(a) of the Federal Communications Commission's (Commission) rules.² Public Comment on NBANC's filing was sought on May 17, 2002, with comments due on May 31, 2001 and reply

¹ This contribution factor was also used for the prior fund year.

² 47 CFR § 52.16(a). See also, *In the Matter of Administration of the North American Numbering Plan, North American Numbering Plan Administration Contribution Factor and Fund Size For July 2002 through June 2003* (filed May 2, 2002) (NBANC filing).

comments due on June 7, 2002.³

4. NBANC is responsible for calculating, assessing, billing, and collecting payments for the numbering administration functions and for distributing funds to the numbering administrators and consultants, including the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), on a monthly basis. Pursuant to section 52.16(a) of the Commission's rules, the NBANC proposes a contribution factor of 0.000043, and indicates the total funding requirement for FY 2002 would be \$13.7 million, including \$5,412,870 for NANPA functions, \$3,073,368 for Pooling Administration functions, and \$351,422 for NBANC functions.

5. In its filing, NBANC describes its development of projected 2002-2003 costs and the fund size estimate.⁴ Based on this data, NBANC calculates a contribution by international participants of \$173,694, and a contribution by domestic carriers of \$10,313,646. These figures are shown on the attached Table 1, which replicates Exhibit 7 in the NBANC filing.

III. DISCUSSION

6. The National Telecommunications Cooperative Association (NTCA) was the only party to file comments in this proceeding.⁵ NTCA recommends that the Commission accept NBANC's proposed contribution factor and fund size estimate, and waive the requirement that NBANC hold four face-to-face meetings per year.⁶

7. We have reviewed the NBANC filing and find that its methodology and computations are correct and consistent with our rules. We thus approve the proposed fund size estimate and contribution factor. We also approve the NBANC Board of Directors' request to hold a minimum of two face-to-face meetings in Washington, D.C., and a minimum of two telephone conference call meetings each year in lieu of in person quarterly meetings.

IV. CONCLUSION AND ORDERING CLAUSES

8. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to section 251(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 251(e) and sections 0.91, 0.291, 52.16, and 52.17 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, 52.16, and 52.17, this ORDER is hereby ADOPTED.

³ On May 17, 2002, the Telecommunications Access Policy Division released a Public Notice inviting comment on NBANC's proposed contribution factor and fund size estimate, and NBANC's request of a waiver from the requirement that it hold in-person meetings at least quarterly in Washington, D.C. *See North American Numbering Plan Billing and Collection, INC. (NBANC) Submits the Contribution Factor and Fund Size Estimate for North American Numbering Plan Administration for July 2002 through June 2003*, Public Notice (rel. May 17, 2002).

⁴ *See* NBANC filing pages 4-8.

⁵ NTCA Comments.

⁶ *See* NTCA Comments at 1.

9. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that NBANC apply the contribution factor of 0.000043 to the end-user revenue of each telecommunications carrier in the United States for NANP administration cost recovery, and that NBANC's Board of Directors hold a minimum of two face-to-face meetings in Washington, D.C., and a minimum of two telephone conference call meetings each year in lieu of in person quarterly meetings.

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